



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In the Application of:** Hermann et al.

**Application Serial No:** 09/735,919

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**Title:** Method and Device for Deploying a  
Distributed Monitoring

**Group Art Unit:** 2144

**Examiner:** Tam, P.

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 28, 2004, the two-month extended statutory period for reply expiring on October 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. A Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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